ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY 1700 W. Washington Street, Room 250 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 (602) 771-2727

In the Matter of:

STEPHEN L. MARKS,

Applicant for Pharmacist License in the State of Arizona

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS of LAW and BOARD ORDER No. 10-0066-PHR

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Pursuant to Notice of Hearing Number 10-0066-PHR (Notice) this matter came before the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy (Board) on July 15, 2010.

Zina Berry, president, presided with members James Foy, JoAnne Galindo, Dennis McAllister, Dan Milovich, Steve Haiber, Kyra Locnikar, Louanne Honeyestewa and Tom Van Hassel in attendance.

The State was represented by the Office of the Attorney General, Elizabeth Campbell, Assistant Attorney General, Licensing and Enforcement Section. Mary Jo Foster, of the Solicitor General's Section of the Attorney General's Office was present by telephone connection and available to provide independent legal advice to the Board. Stephen Marks, (Respondent) was present and was not represented by an attorney. The Board, after considering the testimony and evidence presented, hereby issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. At its March 17-18, 2010 Board meeting, the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy denied Respondent's application for licensure as a pharmacist in Arizona.
- 2. In denying Respondent's Application, the Board considered the fact that Respondent's Pennsylvania pharmacist license was disciplined on June 5, 2009.
- 3. The Pennsylvania Order was based on findings that Respondent faxed a copy of a prescription for lorazepam, a Class III controlled substance, to one pharmacy and then had the original prescription filled at another pharmacy.
- 4. Respondent was convicted of a misdemeanor offense for this conduct.
- 5. In addition, the Pennsylvania Order contained a finding that Respondent diverted approximately a dozen lorazepam, a Class III controlled substance, from the pharmacy where he was employed.

CONCLUSIONS of LAW

- 1. The Board has jurisdiction pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901, et seq.
- 2. The Board denied the application pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-1927(S) and 32-1927(A).
- 3. The conduct for which Applicant was disciplined in Pennsylvania is grounds for denial of his Arizona application because it constitutes unprofessional conduct under A.R.S. §32-1901.01(B)(16): Committing an offense in another jurisdiction that if committed in this state would be grounds for discipline.

<u>ORDER</u>

In view of the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board issues the following Order:

The application by Stephen L. Marks for an Arizona pharmacist license is denied.

RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REHEARING OR REVIEW

Respondent is hereby notified of the right to petition for a rehearing or review by filing a petition with the Board's Executive Director within thirty (30) days after service of this Order. A.R.S. § 41-1092.09. The petition must set forth legally sufficient reasons for granting a rehearing. A.C.C. R4-23-128. Service of this order is effective five (5) days after date of mailing. If a motion for rehearing is not filed, the Board's Order becomes effective thirty-five (35) days after it is mailed to Respondent.

Respondent is further notified that the filing of a motion for rehearing is required to preserve any rights of appeal to the Superior Court.

DATED this 19th day of July, 2010.

ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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Hal Wand, R.Ph.

Executive Director

COPIES mailed this 26 day of July, 2010 By Certified Mail Receipt No. ______ to: Stephen L. Marks 14 Hosfeld Rd. Carlisle, PA 17015 **COPIES** of the foregoing mailed this \mathcal{J} day of July, 2010, to: Elizabeth Campbell, Assistant Attorney General and Mary Jo Foster, Assistant Attorney General, Solicitors Office Both located at 1275 W. Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007